

TONTO National Forest



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Guide

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HIKING AND TRAIL RIDING

DERRICK SPUR TRAIL 32

RANGER DISTRICT

Payson Ranger Station
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TRAILHEADS (TH)

Tonto Creek Campground

TERMINI INFORMATION

South end: (5400 feet elevation): across from
Tonto Creek Campground

North end: (5820 feet elevation): at Derrick Trail
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TRAIL INFORMATION

Trail use: Heavy

Trail difficulty: Easiest

Trail length: ¾ mile

Estimated hiking time: ½ hour one-way

Season of Use: Spring - fall

USGS maps: Promontory Butte

Elevation change: 420 feet

TRAIL NARRATIVE

The trail begins near the junction of State Highway 260 and Forest Road (FR) 289. Look for a cattle guard. The trail starts at the fence; walk through. Derrick Spur Trail traverses small hills but travel is easy. This trail offers an alternative access to the Derrick Trail 33.

ATTRACTIONS

- This trail winds through a cool Ponderosa pine forest.
- Spring brings many wildflowers
- Autumn showcases breathtaking fall foliage

CONSIDERATIONS

- No motorized vehicles are allowed
- Heavy horse travel in the summer
- Hikers, yield the right of way to trail stock
- If you PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT!!**
- Carry an adequate supply of drinking water. One gallon/per person/per day is recommended during hot periods.
- Do not drink untreated water. Giardia, protozoan, is in many water impoundments and streams.
- Portions of the trail are rough in places and should be traveled with caution

RELATED INFORMATION SOURCES

- Visitors Guide to Mogollon Rim*, Southwest Natural & Cultural Heritage

